

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5179–S5429

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1804–1824, and S. Res. 224–227. **Pages S5210–11**

Measures Reported:

S. 546, to establish the Railroad Emergency Services Preparedness, Operational Needs, and Safety Evaluation (RESPONSE) Subcommittee under the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Advisory Council to provide recommendations on emergency responder training and resources relating to hazardous materials incidents involving railroads. (S. Rept. No. 114–85)

S. 614, to provide access to and use of information by Federal agencies in order to reduce improper payments. (S. Rept. No. 114–86)

S. 1495, to curtail the use of changes in mandatory programs affecting the Crime Victims Fund to inflate spending. (S. Rept. No. 114–87) **Page S5210**

Measures Passed:

Condemning the Attacks in Chattanooga, Tennessee: Senate agreed to S. Res. 227, condemning the attacks of July 16, 2015, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, honoring the members of the Armed Forces who lost their lives, and expressing support and prayers for all those affected. **Page S5429**

Measures Considered:

Hire More Heroes Act—Cloture: By 41 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 250), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 22, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt employees with health coverage under TRICARE or the Veterans Administration from being taken into account for purposes of determining the employers to which the employer mandate applies under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. **Page S5188**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the

motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S5188**

Measures Discharged:

Expression of the Disfavor of Congress: Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2159(i) and Section 601(b)(4) of Public Law 94–329, S.J. Res. 19, to express the disfavor of Congress regarding the proposed agreement for co-operation between the United States and the People's Republic of China transmitted to the Congress by the President on April 21, 2015, pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, was discharged and placed on the calendar, 45 days of the review period having elapsed, not including time spent in adjournment pursuant to S. Con. Res. 19, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S5180**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations that was established in Executive Order 13581 on July 24, 2011; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–21) **Pages S5207–08**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kathryn M. Dominguez, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2004.

Leonard Terry Strand, of South Dakota, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Text of S. 1177 as Previously Passed:
Page S5326–S5428Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:21 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 22, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5429.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of General Mark A. Milley, USA, to be Chief of Staff of the Army, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill to extend certain expired tax provisions.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR INVESTMENT PROPOSAL

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Labor's investment proposal for American families and retirees, after receiving testimony from Thomas E. Perez, Secretary of Labor; Robert Litan, Brookings Institution, Wichita, Kansas; Peter Schneider, Primerica, Inc., Duluth, Georgia; Darlene Miller, Permac Industries, Burnsville, Minnesota, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; and Scott Puritz, Rebalance IRA, Bethesda, Maryland.

IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT POLICIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Administration's immigration enforcement policies, after receiving testimony from Leon Rodriguez, Director, Citizenship and Immigration Services, and Sarah R. Saldana, Director, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Grace Huang, Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Seattle; Reverend Gabriel Salguero, Lamb's Church of the Nazarene, New York, New York, on behalf of the National Latino Evangelical Coalition; Chief Tom Manger, Montgomery County Police Department, Gaithersburg, Maryland, on behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs Association; Susan Oliver, Garden Valley, California; Michael Ronnebeck, Sacramento, California; Jim Steinle, Pleasanton, California; Brian McCann, Chicago, Illinois; and Laura Wilkerson, Pearland, Texas.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 3119–3127, 3129–3148; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 60 were introduced. Pages H5329–30

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H5332–33

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1289, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in

Martinez, California, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–213);

Supplemental report on H.R. 1599, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to food produced from, containing, or consisting of a bioengineered organism, the labeling of natural foods, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–208, Part 2);